

REMARKS

Further to an office action dated October 4, 2004, applicants file a new set of claims. Claims 1-91 are cancelled and claims 92-115 are new. Independent claim 92 is similar to claim 48 in the International Preliminary Examination Report, issued for the present application at the international stage in PCT application no. PCT/NL96/00323, with changes made to clarify the claim as suggested by the Examiner.

In view of the favorable International Preliminary Examination Report, applicants submit that the application is ready for allowance. Notice to this effect is respectfully awaited.

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